

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI  
EASTERN DIVISION**

ISLA C. BALLARD,

Plaintiff,

vs.

MICHAEL J. ASTRUE,  
Commissioner of Social Security,

Defendant.

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Case No. 4:09CV936 JCH

**ORDER**

This matter is before the Court on plaintiff's motion to proceed in forma pauperis. Upon review of the financial affidavit, the Court has determined that plaintiff is unable to pay the filing fee. See 28 U.S.C. § 1915. Consequently, the Court will grant the motion.

Accordingly,

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that plaintiff's motion to proceed in forma pauperis [#2] is **GRANTED**.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the Clerk shall issue process or cause process to issue on the complaint.

Dated this 18th Day of June, 2009.

/s/ Jean C. Hamilton  
JEAN C. HAMILTON  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE